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Councilman John Salter
Parish of Natchitoches
Post Office Box 799
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Re: **Louisiana Board of Ethics Docket No. 2021-340**

Dear Councilman Salter,

The Louisiana Board of Ethics, at its meeting on July 9, 2021, considered your request for an advisory opinion as to whether the Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit you, as an elected member of the Natchitoches Parish Council, from participating in a recall petition to change the form of government in Natchitoches Parish.

The Board concluded, and instructed me to inform you, that the Code will not prohibit you from participating in a recall petition to change the form of government in Natchitoches Parish. However, the Board requested that I advise you that if you make expenditures or accept contributions in support of the recall the reporting requirements of the Campaign Fainenance Disclosure Act (CFDA) will apply.

This advisory opinion is based solely on the facts as set forth herein. Changes to the facts as presented may result in a different application of the provisions of the Code of Governmental Ethics. Please note that the Board issues no opinion as to past conduct and that the Board's expressed opinion is limited to an examination of the Code of Governmental Ethics, the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act, the Lobbyist Disclosure Acts, and the conflict of interest provisions in the gaming laws.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (800)842-6630 or (225)219-5600.

Sincerely,

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS

Suzanne Quinlan Mooney
For the Board